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SUBJECT: STATUS OF PLO ISSUE AT UNESCO

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1. PERMREP CONVERSATIONS VARIOUSLY WITH DAHOMEYAN CHAIRMAN OF EXBD COMMITTEE, BOISSIER-PALUN, AND CLOSE CONFIDANT OF DG M'BOW AND WITH SENEGALESE DEPUTY PERMREP (DIENE) LATE APRIL 25 CONFIRMED THAT PLO LEANING TOWARD EXCHANGE OF LETTERS FORMULA REPORTED REFTEL. SENEGALESE THOUGHT PLO WOULD REACH DECISION BY EARLY NEXT WEEK.

2. HOWEVER, DIENE INSISTED THAT TUNISIAN PERMREP IS NOT REPEAT NOT A PRINCIPAL FIGURE IN EFFORTS TO AVOID ISSUE COMING BEFORE EXBD. INSTEAD AFRICANS, PRINCIPALLY SENEGAL, ASSERTEDLY HAVE INTERVENED AT "CHIEF OF STATE LEVEL" WITH ARABS TO BLOCK ISSUE COMING BEFORE UNESCO EXBD.

3. DIENE SAID THAT PLO REPRESENTATIVE, IBRAHIM SOUSS, DEALING DIRECTLY WITH AFRICANS. IN SUBSTANCE, HOWEVER, TUNISIAN PERMREP'S ASSERTION CONFIRMED BY

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AFRICANS, I.E. THAT LANGUAGE OF DG RESPONSE TO PROJEC-

TED PLO LETTER IS CRUCIAL ELEMENT IN PLO WILLINGNESS
TO FOREGO BRINGING ISSUE TO EXBD. DIENE PROMISED AD-
VISE PERMDEL OF PLO DECISION AS SOON AS KNOWN.
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